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SPECIAL NOTICE.

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THE HERALD's contest for a free European trip for Washington's most popular school teacher grows more interesting every day. It is undoubtedly the most unique and attractive undertaking of the kind ever known in Washington journalism. The interest it has aroused among the pupils of the schools, public and private, is extraordinary, and has evoked many pretty manifestations of regard and esteem from even the tiniest tots for their teachers. It has shown that the average Washington pupil looks upon his teacher as a friend rather than an enemy, furnishing at once a most gratifying proof of the excellent spirit which prevails in the schools and the exceptional fitness of the teachers for the delicate and responsible duties imposed upon them. Educational work is never carried on more successfully than when there exists a close sympathy between pupils and teachers. And the effect of the contest will undoubtedly be to increase and strengthen this sympathy.

New York is threatened with a water famine. This is probably due to the extraordinary large amount of dirty political linen that has been washed there of late.

There is a necessity for more park policemen or watchmen in Washington. Some of the parks are made unavailable for decent people by gatherings of noisy and foul-mouthed rowdies; others are being ruined by being turned into playgrounds.

Bismarck's growling and grumbling between gulps of beer and puffs of smoke in his retirement at Friedrichsruhe so disturb the serenity of his successor, Gen. Von Caprivi, that the latter has been moved to assure the powers that the discordant noises are merely the utterances of a "private gentleman." This merely shows how big Bismarck is and how small is his successor.

To-morrow is District day in the House, and matters of vital interest to the people of Washington, which are now pending in Congress, are likely to come up. No effort should be spared by the committees of citizens who are looking after District matters to secure the attendance of members of Congress. The season is drawing to a close, much remains to be done, and the remaining District days are few.

At last it looks as if Washington's weary waiting for a new Post Office was about to end. The conference committees of the House and Senate have agreed on the site between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, on the south side of Pennsylvania avenue, and it is believed no more difficulties remain in the way of the passage of the bill. This is good news for Washington.

Now that both Houses of Congress are focusing the light of their gigantic intellects on the silver question, it begins to be made apparent through the transparent gloom which ordinarily envelops these abstruse financial questions that it is not the silver alone to which the present depression of the agricultural and other industries of the country is to be attributed. It seems that the demonization of silver has had a good deal to do with it.

If there are any statesmen or editors lingering about Washington who from any cause find their present environment a good deal of a misfit, and would like a nice, large, cool hole to crawl into, now is their chance. A brand new cave in a salubrious limestone formation, and furnished with all modern improvements in the way of stalactites, stalagmites, and a bottomless pit, has been discovered within easy distance of the National Capitol over in Virginia. Go early and avoid the rush.

From the reports of the progress of the census enumeration received from different sections of the country by Superintendent PORTER, it appears that citizens generally take a more sensible view of the much-denounced "Inquisitorial" questions regarding mortgages and disbursements than the hysterical newspapers. The information these much-denounced questions were intended to secure will be of great value, and citizens show their good sense by answering them. The reported disinclination of large numbers of people to tell how old they are is an amusing and significant sign of the times. That species of vanity which manifests itself in a desire to be thought young seems to have spread from single ladies of uncertain age to men and women of all ages. The philosophers ought to find in this revelation of the census some interesting food for reflection.

Even with the despotic right of way which the new rules give him, added to his great natural ability as a legislative engineer, Mr. REED will not be able to put the Congressional limited express through on the schedule which he made for himself at the beginning of the session. Instead of adjourning early in July, it now seems probable that Mr. REED will be fortunate if he isn't kept banging the Speaker's

desk far into September. The fact is, Congress cannot do its work properly in a much shorter space of time than the average of past sessions. The situation might be relieved a little if the short session were extended a couple of months. It is to be regretted the project intended to accomplish this has not been pushed. The vast and varied interests of a great and rapidly growing country may well occupy more of the time of the national legislators than is now usual. No sillier stuff finds its way into American newspapers than the paragraphs which commonly appear about this season of the year calling on Congress to "shut up and go home."

PERSONALS.

Secretary Tracy has gone to New York for a few days.

Mr. Charles Krantz and Mr. Le Grange, of New York, are stopping at the Ebbitt for a few days, en route for Richmond.

Hon. John Russell Young, ex-Minister to China, whose recent arrival from Europe was announced, is at Chamberlin's Hotel.

W. H. E. Reinecke, of the Potomacs, returned Thursday from his trip to the Allegheny Mountains, where he spent two weeks for the benefit of his health.

Capt. Adams, who is messenger of Senator Quay's committee at the Capitol, was at the outbreak of the war commander of a company of which Senator Quay was lieutenant.

"Whew, but it's hot!" exclaimed Senator Quay as he entered his committee-room yesterday and pulled his coat off. "This is the kind of weather to fry the fat out of the Pennsylvania manufacturers."

United States Minister Reid entertained at dinner at Paris Friday evening M. Flouquet, M. Meine, Comte Fouché de Careil, Comte D'Ormesson, Chef du Protocole of the Foreign Office, and other representatives of the government.

Representative Hatch on Friday wore the first flannel shirt which appeared on the floor of the House this session. He looked very cool in it. He didn't look so cool yesterday when he was warning the Republicans up for their back-sliding on silver.

Representative Hopkins, of Illinois, wears a slight discoloration under his right eye, which might lead people to suspect that he had been in collision with something. And he has. It was a base-ball, and it was thrown by one of his young hopefuls.

Thursday evening at the National Rifles Army the students of the law department of the Georgetown University presented that institution with a handsome life-size oil painting of the late Judge William M. Merrick. The picture was painted by Jose Correa, a well-known portrait painter of this city. Mr. Correa is a native of Ecuador, where he made his reputation.

"LONG AND SHORT HAULS."

Grossly Exorbitant Rates of Transportation Charged on Food Products.

The Interstate Commerce Commission sent to the Senate yesterday a report upon the investigation made by it under a Senate resolution directing the commission to inquire into the truth of the allegations that the long and short haul clause of the Interstate Commerce act operated to prevent a reduction of the rates of transportation of food products from the Mississippi Valley. Upon the mass of testimony taken the commission discusses the reasonableness of cost of freight transportation at great length, and says: "The rebates before the act and the very much lower rates frequently put in force since fairly lead to the conclusion that existing corn and grain rates are so high as to encourage frequent and hurtful changes, and to make reductions expedient and profitable to the roads whenever necessary to secure the business."

The commission says that the rates on grain from Kansas and Texas points are unreasonably high for longer distances and grossly excessive and exorbitant for the shorter, and should be reduced. Wheat and flour should bear the same rate, which should not be more than 15 per cent. above the rates on corn and oats. Rates on all grain other than wheat should pay the same rates as corn. Grain rates from the Dakotas and Minnesota should be moderated and adjusted.

"We think no better rule applicable to the matter under investigation," says the commission, "than that applied by railroads themselves, in accordance with which rates are so adjusted as to secure the largest exchange of commodities. In the carriage of the great staples which supply an enormous business, and which in market value and actual cost of transportation are among the cheapest articles of commerce, rates yielding moderate profit are both justifiable and necessary. It was claimed during this investigation that the law was a hindrance to the reduction of the rates on grain and other products for export."

The manner of conducting this traffic in the past warrants the belief that the roads, if permitted, would carry commodities for export at reduced rates. Through lines are essential to long-distance transportation, and the omission of Congress to make the necessary provision for them may enable the carriers, by discontinuing or refusing to establish them, to defeat in part the purposes of this investigation."

The commission therefore renews the recommendations of its annual reports of 1888-89, that the third section of the act be so amended as to make provision for through carriage at through rates over connecting lines.

A Frolic in "Paradise Flats."

A performance that ought to be as full of interest and fun as an egg is full of nutriments will take place at the National Theatre on Friday evening next. On that date Mr. Hubbard T. Smith's three-act comedy, "Paradise Flats," will be given under the auspices of the Columbia Athletic Club, directed by Mr. Albert Riddle. Incidentally the Columbia Athletic Glee Club, which consists of Frank McDermott, Fred Thompson, L. M. Garrett, G. G. Colgate, Walter A. Galt, Alex. P. Shaw, Sterling Galt, and James Branch, will render some spirited selections, and an athletic exhibition will be given by Basil Duke, Richard Beall, Jr., John G. Irwin, J. Robinson Elder, E. D. Sewall, and the Robert H. Wade, and Professor John T. Crossley.

In the cast of "Paradise Flats" will be Miss Fielding Roselle, Mrs. Charles B. Reade, Miss Mary Whitthorne, Miss Suzanne Bate, Miss Marie Roelker, Mr. H. T. Smith, Mr. Pierre C. Stevens, Mr. Selwyn C. Elliott, and Mr. Leonard C. Chew. A number of Mr. Hubbard T. Smith's songs and musical pieces will be rendered during the evening, and altogether the performance will be exceptionally enjoyable.

Work on the Tariff Bill.

The Senate Finance sub-committee having charge of the Tariff bill was delayed in its consideration of the bill yesterday by necessity of listening to several Congressmen who had pleas to make in respect of the duties on various articles. Senators Cameron, Platt, Sawyer, and Spooner, and Representatives Lafollette, Brosius, and others spoke in favor of a duty of \$2 a pound on Sumatra cigar wrappers.

THE BANK CLERKS UNBEND.

They Throw Financial Cares to the Winds, and Have a Jolly Time Down the River.

The average bank clerk, seen through the wire trellis-work at his place of business, is an extremely sedate and thoughtful individual. One would never suspect him of latent jollity. In fact, as he bends with corrugated brow over his immense and imposing-looking books, or counts in or counts out great rolls of greenbacks and stacks of silver dollars, one would think that the bank teller or bank clerk could never get far enough away from the grave cares of business to permit himself to smile. But in reality he can and he does unbend a few times a year; and then he is one of the merriest, liveliest, most companionable men in existence. An occasion of this kind—in fact, the occasion of this kind of the year—occurred on Tuesday last, when the bank clerks and their relatives and their best girls took an evening off and went down the river on the Charles Macalester. They went where everybody goes in search of a good time, and that was Marshall Hall, and they found what they went for without difficulty. Indeed, they would have found it had they been carried by untoward tides to the most unlikely corner of the earth, for nothing can prevent the bank clerk from having a good time when he concentrates his mind on that aim. The party was very select—like a large family party, in fact—and everybody enjoyed him or herself immensely. Among those who were there were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Collamer, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hough, Mrs. Annette W. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Holtzman, Miss Annie Elliott, Miss Edith W. Hough, Miss Ray Walker, Miss Blanche Colamer, Miss Kate S. Wilson, Miss Maria F. Bailey, A. S. Willson, C. H. Willson, C. U. Webster, H. F. Benner, P. F. Hupp, Mr. Kinney, Mr. Charles Downing, Mr. George, Mr. W. E. Howard, Mr. H. P. Howard, Mr. A. L. Moore, Mr. Ward, Mr. Calderon, Mr. Emmons, J. Smith, Mr. Thorne, Mr. Sieb, Mr. C. B. Dover, Mr. Clarence E. Corson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Presbury, Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hensey, Mr. Will Knox, Mr. George Gray, Miss Lulu Burke, Misses Carrie and Ella Schneider, Mr. Sam Shuster, Mr. Walter Wyllie, Mr. Charles R. Burr and wife, Miss Elsie Burr, Misses Mable and Gertrude Crump, Misses Mary and Alice Wilson, Mrs. Mary J. Mallory, Miss Cella Gillis, Mr. R. R. Burr and wife, Mr. J. Harry Goodrich, Mr. Samuel Mockabee, Miss Sallie Roach, Mr. R. K. Cook, Miss Flora Etzler, Miss Emma Sheel, Mr. Jacob Miller and wife, Miss Ida Miller, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Pitcher, Mr. Thomas Liday, Miss D. Berriss, Mr. Robert Lewis, Mr. Albert Leet, Mr. D. C. Smithson and wife, Mr. J. J. Smithson, Charles Fischer and wife, Mr. J. H. Nicholson, Miss Annie Dinsmore, Mrs. Mattie Cook, Steve Caldwell, R. T. Hieston, I. G. Ashby, W. T. Ashby, J. P. Welcker, R. A. Walker, T. J. Myers, A. Wolf, J. O. Miller and wife, J. M. McCauley, T. S. Nairn and wife, Mr. Sautter, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Gately, Mr. Albert S. Gately, Miss Mabel Hogg, Mr. Riley Locke, Miss Annie Lockwood, Mr. President John A. Prescott, E. Rollins Prescott, C. C. Prescott, Cashier and Mrs. E. A. Stier, Miss Bertha G. Stier, Mrs. Fernando H. Stier, Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Bauer, Mr. Peter Lattner and wife, Mr. James S. Davidson, Mr. S. Dana Lincoln, Mr. William E. Hodge and wife, Mr. F. Goodman, Mr. R. A. Walker, Mr. William E. Abbott, Mr. Stowall, Misses Lillie and Jesse Macarty, Mr. Paul H. Cromelien and mother, Miss Mammie R. Kidd, Mr. R. F. Cromelien and wife, Mr. William E. Saunders, Miss Amelia E. Cromelien, Mr. John F. Vogt and wife, Mr. Albert French, Miss Laura French, the Misses Dunnington, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Moses, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harper, Miss Nellie Harper, Miss Ida Price, Miss Lulu Walker, Miss Green, Miss Gertie Dana, Miss Sallie Nicholson, Miss Dalton, Miss Lida Dalton, Mr. Dalton, Mr. N. C. Harper, Mr. Thomas Dove, Mr. William Smith, Mr. Martin Walker, Mr. Robert Downs, Mr. Lowell and wife, Mr. Crossman, Mr. William Nicholson, Mr. Allen Lyons, Mr. George Young, Mr. Frank Henon, Mr. Brice Moses, Mr. Horatio Browning, Mr. George Starkey, Mr. Benjamin Welch, Mr. DuBois, Mr. Pike, Miss Julia Bauldwin, T. M. Fields, Thomas J. Meyers, Daniel Cahill, Frank B. Clarkson and wife, Charles Fischer, Irving G. Ashby, John Welcker, Will Ashby, F. A. Buckingham, Dr. and Mrs. Boarman, Mr. and Mrs. Hell, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. A. Church, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ruoff, Mr. and Mrs. Hauser, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Johnson, Miss Spottwood, Miss Hunt, Miss Larnam, Miss Lincoln, Miss Colton, Miss Mattie Fisher, Miss Ralph Ellis, Miss Laura Zeh, Miss Mary Carter, Miss Alice Espey, Misses Moore, Miss Annie Daley, Miss Kearney, Miss Hannan, Mr. R. E. White, Mr. Charles Miller, Mr. George C. Boarman, Mr. Harry Spottwood, Mr. John W. Sims, Mr. B. Y. Sims, Mr. Tysowski, Mr. Webber, Mr. Welcker, Mr. McCallum, Mr. W. F. Holtzman, Mr. Gray, Mr. William J. Zeh, Mr. Petersen, Mr. E. Miller, Rev. T. S. Wynkoop, Miss Lillie Hughes, Miss Ida Barclay, Miss M. Pike, Mr. S. H. Nater, Mr. W. A. Seebold, Mr. C. S. Oliver, Mr. R. E. Chatham, Mr. S. Zeller, Mr. C. Clement, Mr. William Selby, Miss Hannah A. Selby, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. West, Mr. and Mrs. George J. Davis, Miss Gertrude J. Davis, Miss Mary L. Taylor, Miss Mary Holmead, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cavanaugh, George J. Davis, Jr., Miss Ellis, Mr. J. Schneider, Mr. Charles West, Mr. J. W. Williams and lady, Mr. Charles Richard and lady, Mr. James E. Hibbs and lady, Mr. W. L. Read and lady, Mr. and Mrs. Mochler, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. H. Church, Mr. and Mrs. Justin McCarthy, Mr. D. Carroll Digges, W. F. Crossman, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lowell.

Building Operations.

Emmons & King, the builders, have in course of construction twenty houses, Sixth and M streets southwest, and expect to have them topped out this week. They built ten houses in this section last season, which have been readily rented. They are also erecting at the corner of Eleventh and G streets northwest a large store building. In the original plans only three stories were contemplated, but the demand for business property on this street has increased so rapidly that it is now necessary to make the building six stories. Most of the rooms have been spoken for, and before its completion it is expected that it will be entirely rented. They also expect to build in a few days thirty-five houses at the intersection of Massachusetts avenue and F street northeast, which when completed, with those contemplated by Messrs. Barnes & Weaver, will completely improve that portion of square 721, bounded by First and Second streets east of F street and Massachusetts avenue north. California street, which passes through the center of this square, will give the Golden State a namesake.

Clearing the Fatal Conemaugh River.

Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania, proposes to urge the appropriation of \$150,000 for dredging Conemaugh River, for the removal of flood deposits, and the deepening, widening, and straightening of said stream within the city of Johnstown, Pa., and westward thereof.

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A VICIOUS BRUTE.

A Savage Mastiff Creates Consternation on Eighteenth Street.

Considerable consternation and alarm was created among residents about the corner of Eighteenth and H streets northwest yesterday morning by the strange actions of a large dog of the English mastiff breed. The animal first attracted attention in the pretty little parking on the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eighteenth street by savagely attacking and killing a hound, the property of a colored man, who was passing. After this he returned to the park, took a position under a tree, and kept every child who desired to play in the place out, now and then darting to the street and attempting to bite passing horses. About 11 o'clock the dog vacated his place in the park, and going direct to the home of Mr. James J. Haney, 510 Eighteenth street, entered the front door, and walked into the parlor where Mr. Haney's three small children were playing on the floor with a beautiful Japanese pug that one of the Japanese Embassy presented to him. The mastiff with one pounce seized the pug in his mouth and broke his back, but continued to shake him as a terrier does a rat. The blood from the pug was strewn all over the parlor, and many of Mr. Haney's fine pieces of bric-a-brac were ruined. The children ran frightened into the street. Neighbors came in to drive the brute out. Little Jimmy Haney got a club to beat the mastiff off, but the infuriated beast made an attempt to bite him and he desisted. Dr. Magruder was passing and he struck the dog to the earth with a cudgel, got his licensed tag number, and gave it to Mr. Haney. The dog, it is said, belongs to Mr. Savage, of H street, and the people of that neighborhood will insist on its being killed. This is the season of mad dogs, and people should be very careful about keeping vicious dogs around their premises. Last week a little girl on A street northeast was badly bitten by a savage dog, and cases are being reported daily.

AWAITING THE SILVER BILL.

Traders in Wall Street Inclined to Hammer Stocks.

New York, June 7.—The stock market today, outside of the trusts and one or two specialties, was an extremely limited one, and the dealings and final changes for the most part were without significance. The disposition at present is to await the action on the silver bill, and the trading was to-day confined almost exclusively to the room-traders, who were inclined to hammer stocks in the early dealings, in the expectation that the bank statement would show a decrease in the surplus reserve. The early demand was sufficient to cause slight advance in some stocks after an irregular opening, but the pressure later wiped out these gains, and prices in most stocks retired slightly below those of the opening. Louisville and Nashville was most conspicuous among the active stocks for its decline, but it was only a small fraction.

A MODEL SUMMER RESORT.

Where Washingtonians Should Go to Spend the Heated Term.

It is needless to expatiate on "Forest Inn" as a model summer resort, and that it is lacking in nothing to promote the comfort and happiness of persons anticipating leaving the city for the summer. This delightful resort, situated in one of the most picturesque parts of Maryland, and only a few minutes' ride from Washington, offers many inducements to Washingtonians, especially those who are compelled by business ties to remain in the city during the day. The main accommodations are such that will enable one to come and go most any hour during the day. The well-known and popular proprietors, Messrs. Tenney & Crosby, of the National Hotel, have again opened the doors of this popular resort, and are now ready to accommodate the public.

The Potomac Fruit Growers.

The Potomac F. G. Literary Club met last Wednesday evening in Mrs. I. R. Morrell's parlors, 804 E street northwest. It being the last meeting, a goodly company assembled. It was a memorial meeting to the late Col. William H. Chase, who was a prominent member of the club. Addresses and personal reminiscences were given by Mr. F. B. Taylor, Gen. George W. Balloch, Mr. Charles Davies, Mr. R. W. Fenwick, Rev. Dr. Butler, Mr. Seth A. Terry, and Judge J. S. McCallmont. Resolutions of condolence and sympathy were adopted. Appropriate literary and musical exercises were participated in by Miss Katie Putnam, Mrs. H. H. Mills, Miss Annie B. Yeatman, Mr. J. M. Stewart, Dr. Diefenderfer, Mrs. Charles Youngs, Mr. E. J. Pullman, Mr. Harmer, Mrs. Williams, Miss Freeman, Mrs. Counselman, and Mr. H. W. T. Jenner. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Orville Johnson, Mrs. M. A. Austin, Mrs. M. J. Tully, Mrs. Maria Sterling, Dr. and Mrs. D. S. Lane, Mrs. M. A. Naylor, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. V. Hartleben, Dr. T. A. Bland, Miss R. M. Kennett, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Read, Miss Emily Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Lila Boyce, Mr. Edwin M. Truell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewes, Mrs. M. Marsh, Mrs. L. H. Arnold, Mr. W. C. Sterling, Mrs. Gen. Barr, Mr. Charles Counselman, Miss Mable Metzger, Mr. Grant Chase and brother, Dr. Cora M. Bland, Mr. Robert Wilson, Rev. Dr. Butler, Mr. George C. Gwynn, Mr. Jennings, and Rev. Dr. Domes.

An American University.

Representative Charles O'Neill, of Pennsylvania, yesterday introduced in the House (by request) a bill to establish in the District of Columbia a memorial national university, to be known as "The American University," which is to be a permanent memorial of the four-hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America. The board of curators is to consist of twenty members. The President of the United States, the Vice President, Chief Justice, the Secretaries of State and Treasury, Attorney General, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the Director of the Geological Survey, and the Superintendent of the Naval Observatory are to be members ex-officio of the board. To encourage reciprocity and fraternity among the Pan-American republics five perpetual scholarships are to be tendered to each of these republics. No person otherwise eligible for admission into the university is to be excluded from its benefits on account of race, color, sex, citizenship, or religious belief. The sum of \$500,000 is appropriated for the purchase of grounds and the erection of buildings, and \$1,000,000 annually for a period of ten years for its permanent endowment.

Late Society Items.

The death of Miss Marianna Tastet, daughter of the late Nicholas Tastet, has brought sincere sorrow to a large circle of friends and acquaintances. Possessed of traits of character which endeared her to all who knew her, her death is looked upon as a personal loss far beyond the limits of her own family.

Miss Mary Lawson, of Upperville, Va., and her friend, Miss Cooper, of Mississippi, who have spent the winter and spring in Boston in the study of art, are visiting Miss Maude Wheat, of Alexandria, Va.

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